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## Vietnam

### Poultry and Products

## Vietnam resumes imports of poultry and poultry products from the United States

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**Report Highlights:** From March 30, 2004 onwards, Vietnam has permitted imports of poultry meat and poultry products, based on OIE standards and guidelines. At this time, the Vietnamese Department of Animal Health (DAH) under the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) reported that Vietnam has no restrictions on imports of poultry and poultry products from the United States, as long as they conform to OIE guidelines.

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In late December 2003, the Vietnamese government closed its borders to poultry imports and exports because of the outbreak of bird flu. Three months later, on March 30, 2004, the National Steering Committee for Bird Flu Prevention (an interagency Vietnamese government committee) declared Vietnam free of bird flu and reopened its borders to trade.

From March 30, 2004 onwards, Vietnam has permitted imports of poultry meat and poultry products, based on OIE standards and guidelines. At this time, the Vietnamese Department of Animal Health (DAH) under the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) reported that Vietnam has no restrictions on imports of poultry and poultry products from the United States, as long as they conform to OIE guidelines. MARD officials confirm that the Department of Animal Health does not have regulations specifically related to imports of U.S. poultry and poultry products, only that that U.S. poultry imports are authorized, as per OIE guidelines.

Several U.S. companies have successfully exported poultry and poultry products to Vietnam since March 30, 2004.